

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant	:	Wallace et al.		
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For	:	WATERTIGHT JOINT		
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**Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner of Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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AMENDMENT and RESPONSE

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification - none

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings - none

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

This paper is being filed in response to the outstanding Office Action dated June 25, 2009 in which the Examiner set a shortened statutory period of 3 months for reply. October 25, 2009 was a Sunday. This paper is being filed on October 26, 2009, the immediately following Monday, and is thus believed to be properly filed with a request for a one-month extension of time. However, applicant hereby makes a conditional request for any additional extensions of time if any are required. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees due as a result of or in connection with the filing of this Response to Deposit Account No. 15-0450.